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Description: ff. iii + 70 + ii - 17th century vellum. - Belonged since 18th century to Marquess of Lothian; his sale by the American Art Association, NY, 27 Jan. 1932 to G. Wells. Gift of Mrs. Morris Hawkes, New York, 1941. - De Ricci, 1686, and Supplement, 329. Published from this manuscript: Harry F. Williams, Floriant et Florete University of Michigan Studies in Language and Literature XXIII (Ann Arbor, 1947). - Jonathan J. G. Alexander, James H. Marrow and Lucy Freeman Sandler, The Splendor of the Word: Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts at the New York Public Library(London / Turnhout: The New York Public Library / Harvey Miller Publishers, 2005) n. 91.

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Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 5

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Language: French *Country:* France *Century:* 14th

Part 1: ff. 1-70v

Description: - Parchment - 234 x 175 mm - 2 columns of 30 lines, ruled in lead, with prickings, catchwords and quire numbers visible.

Country: France

Cardinal point:

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Assigned Date: s. XIV$^{1/4}$

Searchable Date Range: 1300 - 1325

Dated by scribe: No

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Document: No

Number of Scribes: ;1

Script: Gothic

Figurative Decoration: Figures (partially obscured) in large opening initial; border design on f. 1 includes grotesques.

Other Decoration: 9-line opening initial in red, blue, gold on lozenge background. Red and blue border designs. 2-line blue and gold initials, extending into border, with opposing color penwork.

Notes: Folio 70 is only a stub; there are 69 full folios. Eight quires of eight folios each, and one of six. Latin

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1: ff. 1-69v

Title: Floriant et Florete

Language(s): French

Incipit: Salemons nous dist que tant est li fols sages

Explicit: les iii fecs venant aisie lont sans demoree mongibel lenont portee

Notes: Only manuscript preserving the text of this 14th century French romance in rhymed couplets of 8-syllable lines. The text on f. 70r-v seems to lack the decoration and verse structure of other folios, therefore may possibly not be part of main text.

Status of text: Text imperfect at end.

f. 1 Historiated initial of Floriant and Florete embracing,with some damage. Border decoration with two grotesques waddling along frame. Quire number, "I."

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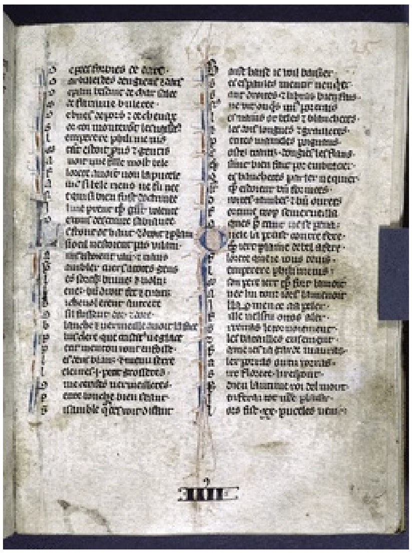

f. 25 Page of text with initials, border design and quire number, "IIII."

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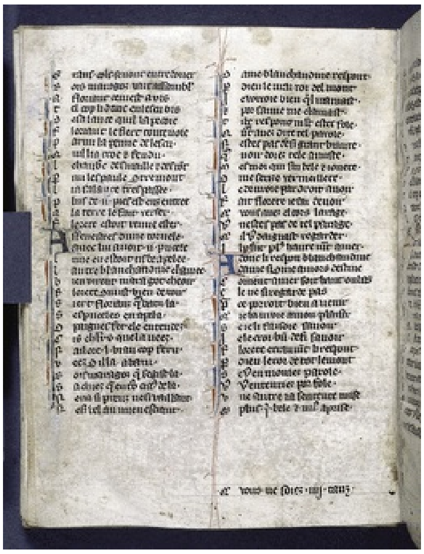

f. 32v Page of text with catchword.

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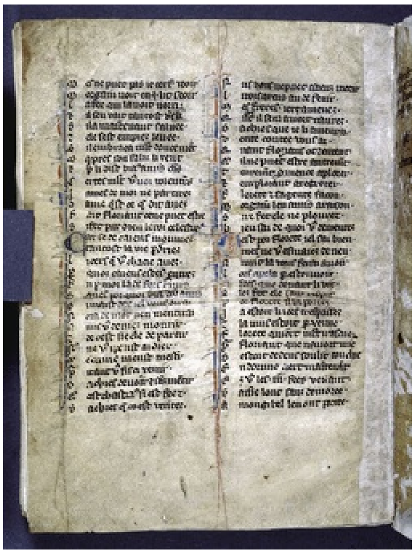

f. 69v Explicit.

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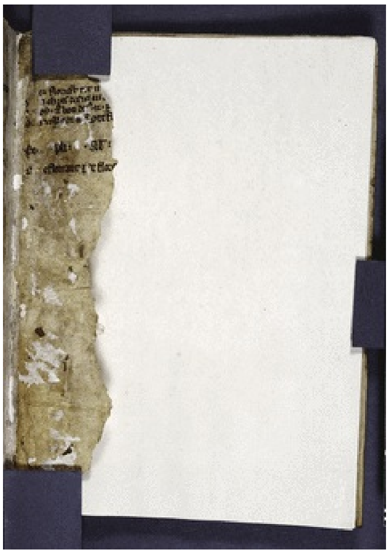

f. 70 Stub of f. 70 with bits of text mentioning Floriant and Florete and the word "explicit."

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